



## HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF POLICE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

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### **Press Statement** **POLICE-INVOLVED SHOOTING IN FREDERICK COUNTY** **Gary L. Gardner,** **Howard County Chief of Police**

Earlier today, two Howard County police officers were involved in a fatal shooting in Mt. Airy, on the Frederick side of the county line. The Howard County officers were in Frederick County as part of a multi-jurisdictional investigation into a series of ongoing burglaries.

Because the incident occurred in Frederick County, it is being investigated by the Frederick County Sheriff's Office. I have been in touch with Sheriff Jenkins and assured him that Howard County Police will cooperate fully in their investigation and provide them with any information or assistance they need. I am confident Frederick County will conduct a thorough and detailed investigation.

In addition, the Howard County Police Department will initiate its own internal investigation, which is standard in all police-involved shootings. The two officers, who are members of a specialized unit focused on repeat offenders, have been placed on standard administrative leave. Neither was injured in the incident.

It is a difficult day when there is an incident that results in the loss of life. We will continue to work with the Frederick County Sheriff's Office to ensure investigators have access to all the information and assistance they need.

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